

14. (Previously Presented) A gate valve assembly reversibly attachable to a top portion of a container for dispensing fluid, said gate valve assembly comprising;
- a coupling having means for reversibly attaching said coupling to said container;
  - a channel formed into said coupling, said channel having first and second openings formed in opposite surfaces thereof;
  - a gate valve member slideably positioned in said channel;
  - wherein said gate valve member has retaining tabs protruding from opposing side surfaces of said gate valve member, said retaining tabs positioned entirely within said channel;
  - wherein said retaining tabs are entirely slidable within said channel;
  - wherein said gate valve member is composed of a resiliently deformable material operative to provide an interference fit for providing a seal between said gate valve member and said channel; and
  - wherein said means for reversibly attaching said coupling to said container is with a first set of threads, and further comprising a second set of threads formed on or in an end of said gate valve assembly opposite said first set of threads.
15. (Cancelled)
16. (Previously Presented) The gate valve assembly of claim 14 further comprising a biasing means operative to position said gate valve member in a normally closed position thereby blocking a flow of fluid until said gate valve member is intentionally actuated by an operator.
17. (Previously Presented) The gate valve assembly of claim 16 wherein said biasing means is a spring positioned inside said channel.
18. (Previously Presented) The gate valve assembly of claim 7 further comprising a hole formed into said gate valve member.
19. (Previously Presented) The gate valve assembly of claim 14 further comprising a spout formed in or on one end of said gate valve assembly.
20. (Previously Presented) The container of claim 1 wherein said first end of said gate valve member being acutely angled with respect to a remaining portion of said gate valve is positioned within said channel.

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